

Application No.: 10/034,042

Response to Office Communication having a mailing date of September 8, 2005

Remarks

The Examiner takes the view that the previous replies filed on 5/24/2005 and 6/17/2005, respectfully, are not fully responsive to the prior Office Action because of an omission to address claims 41-46. Applicant now remedies the omission for completeness sake.

As indicated in the prior communications, claims 27-46, directed to an article, are currently pending, claims 47-49, directed to a method, have been withdrawn. Applicant elects to prosecute claims 27-32, and 34-46, which relate to species A (see, Para. 3, Office Action mailed 5/4/2005), described as the generation of an observable contrast by comparing an inside and an outside surface of the article. Claim 33, which relates to species B, described as the generation of an observable contrast by the presence of a second layer that overlaps at least a part of a first layer, is not elected at the present time. The election is made without traverse. Applicant reserves the right to seek patent protection for non-elected subject matter by divisional application.

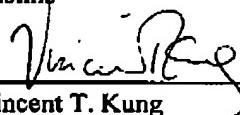
Applicant hopes that the foregoing statement has now clarified any confusion, on the part of the Examiner, about the remarks in the response filed on 5/24/2005.

Applicant believes that the present response is timely and no extension of time is required, but should Applicant be in error, Applicant respectfully requests the Office grant such time pursuant to 37 C.F.R. 1.136(a) as necessary to make this response timely, and hereby authorizes the Office to charge any necessary fee or surcharge with respect to time extension to the Kimberly-Clark Worldwide, Inc. deposit account number 11-0875. Please direct any questions or comments to Vincent T. Kung at: tel. 770-587-8606.

Respectfully submitted,

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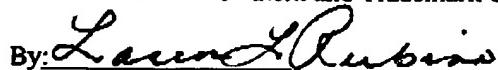


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